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Tucker S. Player, Esquire
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Dear Mr. Player:

The Pleading which you filed on behalf of Blonder Tongue Telephone, LLC has been duly received and assigned Docket No. 2004-244-C.

In order to proceed with the processing of this Docket, it will be necessary for you to accomplish the following:

Publish, at your own expense, on or before **August 30, 2004**, the enclosed Notice, in newspapers of general circulation, in the affected areas, one time and provide the undersigned Proof of Publication on or before **September 13, 2004**.

Failure to comply with the above on or before the dates indicated may result in the **DISMISSAL** of your pleading.

In the meantime, should you require additional information, please advise.

Sincerely yours,

Judy Matthews
Administrative Specialist II

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Enclosure

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF SOUTH CAROLINA

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NOTICE OF FILING AND HEARING

DOCKET NO. 2004-244-C

Blonder Tongue Telephone, LLC (Applicant) filed an Application with the Public Service Commission of South Carolina for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to provide local exchange, exchange access, and long distance telecommunications services in South Carolina. The Applicant proposes to provide a broad range of telecommunications services through resold facilities, the purchase of unbundled network elements (UNEs), and through a combination of those provisioning methods. In addition, the Applicant requests that the Commission regulate its local services in accordance with the principles and procedures established for Flexible Regulation in Order No. 98-165 in Docket No. 1997-467-C. Also, the Applicant requests that the Commission regulate certain of its long distance services in accordance with the principles and procedures established for modified alternative in Order Nos. 95-1734 and 96-55 in Docket No. 1995-661-C, as modified by Order No. 2001-997 in Docket No. 2000-407-C.

A copy of the Application is on file in the offices of the Public Service Commission of South Carolina, 101 Executive Center Drive, Columbia, South Carolina 29210 and is available from Tucker S. Player, Esquire, Player Law Firm, LLC, 121 Executive Center Drive, Suite 218, P.O. Box 21005, Columbia, South Carolina 29221.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE a hearing on the above matter has been scheduled to begin at **11:30 a.m., on Wednesday, October 20, 2004**, before the Commission in the Commission's Hearing Room at 101 Executive Center Drive, Saluda Building, Columbia, South Carolina 29210.

PLEASE BE ADVISED that pursuant to South Carolina Code of Laws – Section 58-9-280, as amended, the Commission will invoke the 120-day period allowed for consideration of this matter.

Any person who wishes to participate in this matter, as a party of record with the right of cross-examination should file a Petition to Intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, on or before **September 20, 2004** and indicate the amount of time required for his presentation. *Please refer to **Docket No. 2004-244-C**.*

Any person who wishes to testify and present evidence at the hearing should notify the Docketing Department in writing at the address below, and Tucker S. Player, Esquire, at the above address in writing, on or before **September 20, 2004**, and indicate the amount of time required for his presentation. *Please refer to **Docket No. 2004-244-C**.*

Any person who wishes to be notified of any change in the hearing date, but does not wish to present testimony or be a party of record, may do so by notifying the Docketing Department in writing at the address below on or before **September 20, 2004**. *Please refer to **Docket No. 2004-244-C**.*

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE: Any person who wishes to have his or her comments considered as part of the official record of this proceeding **MUST** present such comments, in person, to the Commission during the hearing.

Persons seeking information about the Commission's Procedures should contact the Commission by dialing (803) 896-5113.

Public Service Commission of South Carolina
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